Js, apologies for ragged edges on some of today's clips. Clipped while awaiting the opening of a store with shad on sale for 10¢ lb. Got four 5-pounders, already frozen. We like fish, including shad, and except for eggs in a.m. and small quantities, like in cheeses, have been ggtting all of it from fish, for which the top price I've paid is 49¢, for rock, fresh near here, as are the bony but tasty shad. How I wish the remaining old freezed down at the farm would go through our doors! But ourpromising fruit crop won't be frozen as fruit. It is happening as blossoms!

Sorry I've been too much the creature of habit in radio news listening. As the days get longer, the transmission patterns open up earlier. I've been listening early a.m.s to the punk inde WAVA on FM, but WTOP is on at sunup a.m. I thought of that just in time to miss all but an unrepeated item at about 5:45 on Bud and WG. The close, which is what I heard, wrapped up the conflict between the judge(s) and Ervin and quoted Bud as telling the reporter, Gil Butler, that when it was all over McCord would have a press conference and that Bud would see to it that the "right questions are asked", That he will do this is fine, but that he talks about it in the middle and middle position of such a scrap I think isn't. Post downplayed this scrap, probably protecting Ervin and Dash. Their reason for asking for what amounts to suppression is spurious. There is no way of hiding from potential witneses what is said in these depositions when the Creeps are taking the depositions and know all that is in them and all off-the-record. Coinciding with the undenied ChiTrib story all over today's radio, that there is a "deal" for the Nixonians to testify, makes me wonder. Why any "deal"? Ervin has nothing to gain by one, can't lose without one, and if it is true is only giving away what he need not. If his hearings are public, the pressure for unprotected testimony would force it. Duplicates my experiences Army intelligence hearings, enough to make it seem like clean-sweep job but deliberate avoidance of fullness of exposure. It accomplished nothing except publicity. The tapes for the computers are duplicated and exist, and the military was so untroubled it is about to take over the CIA.

Almost total silence since Segretti pix on grand jury. McCord said to be there today on radio report. All those who were there with same day as Segretti, McCord, Chapin, Reisner, etc., indicate little testimony was taken from any one. News report has it lasting to 5;45 but I was told before 4 all who are said to have appeared. Six or more witnesses in less than five hours? And no requests for immunity before judge? Something wrong here, too.

I gather that one of Liddy's secretaries did talk. She has to have been asked for whom she made copies of McCord's reports on eavesdropping.

Mitchell's out is obvious: he didn't know that "according to an unimpeachable source" means eavesdropping. After all, that is only the languagebof the FBI reports on the eavesdropping he authorized. How could he know what this language means? Each other denial is no less equivocal. Some relate to break-in only, some to bugging, etc. Not one relates to the whole thing and not one isn't hedged in some way or ways.

Fix some kind may be on. HW 4/13/73